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Amendments To The Claims:

1. (Currently Amended): A method for packing containers, in particular bottles, in transport boxes, in which

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- on the inside, on flat-lying transport boxes (60), flat-lying multi-piece packagings (1) are releasably fastened,
 - the transport boxes (60) and the multi-piece packagings (1) contained therein are set up,
 - containers (80) are inserted through openings (81) of the set-up transport boxes (60) into receivers of the multi-piece ~~packages~~ packagings (1) and
 - the openings (81) of the transport boxes (60) are closed.

2. (Original): A method according to claim 1, in which the multi-piece packagings (1) on the inside are fastened onto flat, opened-out blanks (60) of the transport box, the transport boxes are closed into flat-lying envelopes (60), the envelopes (60) are set up and the containers (80) are inserted through openings (81) of the set-up envelopes (60).

3. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 2, in which the transport boxes (60) ~~comprising the~~ include lateral walls (61 to 64) hinged to one another and which are folded about middle fold lines (74, 75) of two end-face side walls (62, 64) into flat-lying envelopes (60).

4. (Withdrawn): A method for packing containers, in particular bottles, in transport boxes, in which

- on the inside, on flat-lying transport boxes (60) flat-lying compartment units (90) which are formed by inserting several cardboard strips (91, 94) into one another at incisions (92, 95, 96) and which can be set up by pivoting about incisions are fastened,
- the transport boxes (60) comprising the lateral walls (61 to 64) hinged to one another are folded about middle fold lines (74, 75) of two end-face side walls (62, 64) into flat-lying envelopes (60)

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- the transport boxes (60) and the compartment units (90) contained therein are set up by pivoting sections (94', 94") of a group of parallel cardboard strips (94) about a middle cardboard strip (91') of a further group of parallel cardboard strips (91)

- containers (80) are inserted through openings (81) of the set-up transport boxes into receivers of the multi-piece packages (1) and

- the openings (81) of the transport boxes (60) are closed.

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5. (Withdrawn): A method according to claim 4, in which the compartment units (90) on the inside are fastened on flatly widened-out blanks (60) of transport boxes, the transport boxes are closed into flat-lying envelopes (60), the envelopes (60) are set up and the containers (80) are inserted through openings (81) of the set up envelopes (60).

6. (Withdrawn): A method according to claim 4, in which cardboard strips (94) of the compartment units (90) are connected to side walls (61, 63) of the transport boxes (60) by way of fastening tabs (97).

7. (Previously presented): A method according to claim 1, in which the flat-lying transport boxes (60) with the multi-piece packagings (1) or compartment units (90) fastened thereto are stacked and individual transport boxes (60) with the multi-piece packagings (1) or compartment units (90) for setting up are withdrawn from the stack.

8. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 1, in which the multi-piece packagings (1', 1") are releasably fastened by fastenings (50 to 53) in a position which with respect to their final position in the closed transport boxes (60) is displaced towards the openings (81) thereof and such that by insertion of the containers (81) (80) into openings (81) the fastenings (50 to 53) are released and the multi-piece packagings (1', 1 ") moved into their final position downward in the transport boxes.

9. (Previously presented): A method according to claim 1, in which the multi-piece

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packagings (1', 1'') are releasably fastened on lid flaps (68, 69) for closing the openings (81) of the transport boxes (60).

10. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 1, in which the multi-piece packagings (1', 1'') are fastened to the transport boxes (60) at the upper edges thereof by way of separable cardboard tabs (50 to 53) ~~at their side walls (10, 11), preferably at the upper edges thereof, are fastened on the transport boxes (60).~~

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11. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 1, further including the step of providing in which the multi-piece packagings (1'') on with perforated wall sections (58, 59) which can be torn off and which ~~are limited by perforation lines~~ are releasably fastened on the transport boxes (60).

12. (original): A method according to claim 11, in which the multi-piece packagings (1''), on wall sections (58, 59) of their base walls (12), these wall sections able to be tone off, are releasably fastened on base flaps (66, 67) of the transport boxes (60), wherein the wall sections (58, 59) are preferably arranged on middle axes (13) of the base walls (12).

13. (Previously presented): A method according to claim 1, in which the multi-piece packagings (1) or compartment units (60) are fastened on the transport boxes (60) by adhesing.

14. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 1, in which walls (61 to 64) of the transport boxes (60) on setting up exert forces on inner bearing walls (11, 15, 17) of the multi-piece packagings (1) or end regions (97) of the compartment unit (90) by which means these the multi-piece packagings are set up.

15. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 1, in which the multi-piece packagings (1) are set up by folding ~~away~~ their end-face side walls (15, 17) and ~~where appropriate~~ their transverse webs (33 to 36) from a longitudinal web (24, 25) and removing their longitudinal side walls (10, 11) from the longitudinal web (24, 25) whilst forming receivers open

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16. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 1, in which at least partly automatic bases (12) of the multi-piece packagings (1) and/or of the transport box (60) are closed on setting up these multi-piece packagings and the transport box.

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17. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 16, in which on setting up the multi-piece packagings (1) and/or transport boxes (60) base walls (12) and/or base flaps (66, 67) which are hinged on oppositely lying side walls (10, 11) of the packagings and/or transport boxes and which are folded together are folded open.

18. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 1, in which base flaps are closed after setting up the transport box (60) ~~base flaps (70, 71, 66, 67) of these are closed.~~

19. (Currently Amended): A method according to claim 1, in which lid flaps are closed after inserting the containers ~~(81)~~ (80) into the transport boxes (60) ~~lid flaps (72, 73, 68, 69) of these are closed.~~

20. (New): A method for packing containers in transport boxes, comprising the steps of:
releasably fastening flat-lying multi-piece packagings (1) to flat-lying transport boxes (60);
setting up the transport boxes (60) and the multi-piece packagings (1) contained therein
by folding end-face side walls (15, 17) to form receivers open at the top;
inserting containers (80) through openings (81) of the set-up transport boxes (60) into receivers of the multi-piece packagings (1) and
closing the openings (81) of the transport boxes (60).